

## **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ed Schwarz on October 20, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows: Please cancel claims 12-19.

### ***Allowable Subject Matter***

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: With respect to claim 1, the Prior Art does not teach An electrical power supply system for an electrically powered motor vehicle, said vehicle including an electric motor, a transmission device for transmitting energy between the drive wheels and the motor, and electrical accessories, in particular an air-conditioning device, said system comprising a first rechargeable battery serving to power the electric motor and a second rechargeable battery serving to power the electrical accessories of the vehicle, said system being characterized in that the first battery and the second battery are connected in parallel to said motor via a switch device, said switch device being arranged to conduct current for powering the motor from the first and second batteries as a function of a first energy threshold, said first energy threshold being a

predetermined value for which the energy delivered by the first battery only is not sufficient for accelerating the vehicle, and said switch device conducting current from the second battery only to the motor as a function of a second energy threshold for the energy from the first battery, said second energy threshold lower than the first energy threshold.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Erick Glass whose telephone number is (571)272-8395. The examiner can normally be reached on 9-5 M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Walter Benson can be reached on 571-272-2227. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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